

## BOAT BLOWN UP BY MINE AS SHE GUIDES STEAMER

Wellesley Teacher Describes  
Thrilling Experience in  
Gulf of Bothnia.

To be passing over a Russian mine field and to see the guiding pilot boat suddenly blotted from sight after contact with one of the deadly engines was the experience told of today by Miss Sophie C. Hart, a Wellesley College teacher, who was one of the 575 passengers aboard the Cunard steamer Saxonia. That the helpless Swedish cargo boat on which she was a passenger managed to continue its way unguided through the scattered mines Miss Hart considers nothing short of a miracle.

"I had been travelling in Russia," Miss Hart said, "and was caught by the war in Petrograd. I managed to join a party of 150 Americans and English people who chartered special cars on a train that occupied thirty-seven hours getting from the capital to Rauma, a Finnish town at the head of the Gulf of Bothnia. There we found a Swedish cargo boat bound for Stockholm, and we crowded aboard her. Since all the Gulf of Bothnia was mined, a Government tug was sent ahead of our ship to guide her through the dangerous waters."

"We had progressed safely for several hours, winding in and out through the secret channels of safe water, when of a sudden there was a terrific report, a great column of water shot up where our pilot boat had been, and when the water fell there was nothing but matchwood scattered on the waves; the boat had disappeared utterly. For several hours thereafter our captain simply had to trust to Providence. It was a ghastly experience for all aboard."

Mrs. C. J. Devlin and her daughter, Ruth and Ethel—all of Kansas City, passed over a bridge near the German-Belgian frontier just a minute before the Belgians blew it up. The roar of the dynamite came to their ears over the noise of the train and the steel structure displayed almost the instant the last car was over. This incident was but one in a chapter of terror for the women.

"It took us nine hours to go from Munich to Cologne," said Mrs. Devlin, "and all that time we were standing up, while German officers occupied the seats and filled the carriage with cigar smoke. Everywhere the German officers treated American women

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with the utmost insolence and discourtesy.  
"After a long wait at Cologne we managed to get in a train bound for the Hook of Holland. One of my daughters, during the long delay in

departing from the railway station at Cologne, called my attention to the very large feet of two women who sat opposite us in the carriage. A German officer overheard our comments and called a guard to arrest

the women. They were found to be Russian men a... were shot before our train got away from the station." Mrs. Devlin said that at the Hook of Holland all boat passengers were herded between two lines of Dutch soldiers and that a private lodged her in the leg with his bayonet because she did not move fast enough. They had to stand all the way across the Channel to Harwich. A Frenchman who went mad with fatigue and terror struck a woman in front of him with a heavy satchel and broke her back; she died before the boat reached Harwich.

Joseph Caesar of No. 307 Fox street, the Bronx, saw four French spies shot in Mainz and eleven in Munich. William Bayard Hale, his wife and son and Miss Alice Longfellow, the daughter of the poet, were among the Saxonia's passengers.

Holland is under martial law and the mobilization of troops is going steadily on, according to Alfred Kahn of No. 17 West Seventy-first street. "In my flight from Munich," he said, "I was held up more frequently in Holland than I was in Germany. The fortifications outside of The Hague and Amsterdam are being strengthened by thousands of soldiers. Every town is an armed camp. The roads are swarming with troops."

Frankfort, Mr. Kahn says, has been attacked repeatedly by aeroplanes at night. In the evening the lights are blanketed and the troops in church steeples and towers await the coming of the hostile aircraft, armed with powerful aerial guns. Up to the line he left Mr. Kahn reports two French flyers had been brought to earth.

Major W. H. Day, U. S. A., retired, who was in Petrograd during the mobilization of the Russian troops, was impressed by the change in the attitude of the people toward the war. Where he formerly appeared in the streets under heavy guard, Major Day said, "the Russian Emperor now rides alone, followed at a distance of about 100 yards by the Chief of Police. "Given the agitators who were stirring up riots a month of two ago are among the thousands who lined the streets and cheered the Czar as he rode fearlessly and unprotected through their ranks."

**GERMANS BID HIGH  
TO GET ENGLAND'S  
SCANDINAVIAN FOOD.**  
LONDON, Sept. 8.—The Standard states that the Germans are making a desperate attempt to deprive the United Kingdom of provisions supplied by the Scandinavian countries.

German agents, it says, are now traveling through Norway, Sweden and Denmark, offering prices twenty per cent. higher than those carried by British contractors. To aid this attack the German Government has removed the import duty on provisions.

English merchants are concerned lest the Danish merchants, influenced by German high prices, should divert some of their trade to Germany. Such practice, they state, is contrary to the established trade principle of giving preference.

**Stankiewicz Asks Poles to Fight With Russians.**  
PETROGRAD (St. Petersburg), Sept. 8.—Henry Stankiewicz, Polish author, has issued an appeal to the Austrian Poles to fight with Russia. He is the author of "Que Vadis."

## U.S. MAY ATTEMPT TO SAVE RARE ART FROM DESTRUCTION

Herrick Would Have Nations  
Consider Such Works as  
"International Property."

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8. (Associated Press).—President Wilson took under consideration to-day a suggestion from Ambassador Herrick at Paris that the United States approach the powers in an effort to have their armies regard historic buildings, monuments and works of art as "international property."

Ambassador Herrick cabled the suggestion after the diplomatic representatives in France of several neutral countries had indicated their desire of their Governments to support the project.

The particular purpose of the move, it is understood, is to save monuments and works of art in Paris from being destroyed in the event of a German bombardment or capture of the city, but from it has resulted an effort to have all armies respect such property on entering towns of the enemy.

It was not known to-day what course the Washington Government would take in the matter, as it does not wish to be in the position of creating military advantages or disadvantages to either army at Paris, though it may inaugurate a general movement for the protection of paintings and famous buildings.

Sir Edward Grey, Minister of Foreign Affairs for the Great Britain, sent this message to the British Embassy here to-day:

"The government and people of Australia have telegraphically expressed their intense admiration of the gallant manner in which the British troops have acquitted themselves."

"Their splendid valor," their telegram concludes, "has made us still prouder of the grand old flag."

"The Governor-General of the Commonwealth has telegraphed as follows to the Colonial Office:

"All ranks commonwealth defense forces congratulate army and navy

on their splendid achievements. Australian forces early look forward to joining their comrades in the field."

The German Embassy to-day also announced receipt of the following wireless message from its Foreign Office:

"The English action of search all American mail destined for Germany found in Dutch steamers. The Americans and relatives of Americans staying here are very uneasy on account of the impossibility of getting news from the other side."

**Flood of Gifts to the Red Cross at the Wanamaker Store.**

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 8.—The Wanamaker store has opened headquarters for the Red Cross in this city and already has received 1,600

contributions. John Wanamaker gave \$1,000.

**BRYAN SAYS PRESIDENT WILL MEDIATE IN WAR WHEN NATIONS ASK IT.**

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8. (United Press).—Although admitting that German Ambassador von Bernstorff conferred with him yesterday, Secretary of State Bryan to-day said there was no discussion concerning mediation or other peace overtures. It was pointed out by Bryan and other officials that the President's mediation offers leaves overtures up to the warring Governments, as his offers were made operative at "any future time."

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Snap Fasteners. each 5c, doz. 55c  
"Reliable" Hooks and Eyes, gross 18c  
Directoire Belting,—1½ to 3 inches wide. yd. 8c, pc. 70c  
"Warren's" Silk Covered Featherbone. doz. 75c  
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